

Tasking Memorandum No. 00-123

Memorandum For Commanders, Defense Contract Management Districts

Subject: Immediate Verification of Surveillance on Air Launch and Recovery Equipment (ALRE)

Date: February 14, 2000

Suspense Date: February 25, 2000

Target Audience: All DCMC personnel responsible for ALRE contracts

New Information/Guidance/Tools: Our information is still incomplete, but the results of recent laboratory inspections indicate numerous major non-conformances in ALRE items from depot stock. Customer deficiency reports are being generated, and we will e-mail additional background information to each District Operations Chief. There are also indications that contracts may not have identified these as critical items, and contracts may have been placed with unapproved sources. We do not yet know how many of the alleged defects result from DCMC administered contracts. But meanwhile, we must do all we can to preclude future problems. To that end, we queried the MOCAS database to identify open contracts for ALRE items; that list is attached. **DCMC personnel are hereby alerted that even if contracts do not identify them as such, these are critical items. Most of these items are used by the Navy to launch and recover carrier based aircraft; failures could have catastrophic consequences. Key processes cannot be considered low risk and must be considered moderate or high risk**

New Tasking: **Assigned DCMC personnel must immediately verify that quality assurance surveillance on these critical item contracts is adequate.**

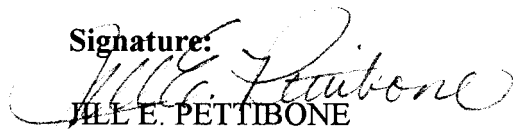
Requirements: The DCMDs must confirm completion of this tasking to DCMC-OB not later than close of business Feb 25, 2000.

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1. Filename: ALRE_open_contracts.xls